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Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1. Queen's Road East. Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

# Entertainment.

MATEUR THEATRICALS IN AID OF LOCAL CHARITIES.

"STILL WATERS RUN DEEP' will be presented at the

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, Thursday Evening,

the 31st Instant, Commencing at Nine o'clock. Tickets may be obtained from any of

the Committee on and after THURSDAY. January 24th. TICKETS,.....TWO DOLLARS EACH.

COMMITTEE; Commander Sir WILLIAM WISEMAN, R.N. Captain Moore-Lane, 28th Regiment.

John M. Fornes, Jun. ATWELL COXON. CHAS, C. COHEN. EDWARD TOBIN,

Honorary Treasurer. Hongkong, January 22, 1878.

# Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

AMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

On a Date hereafter to be named. The British Barque

"ALPHINGTON."

of 326 Tons Register, or of about 8,000 1 piculs Carrying Capacity, with all her MISSION AGENT. TACKLE, APPAREL and INVENTORY. The Vessel was Built under Lloyds

special survey at Berwick-on-Tweed in 1856, Classed 12 years A 1. at Lloyds and continued in 1868 A 1, for 8 years, She was Remetalled over Felt in Lon-

don in July, 1870. TERMS -One-third of the purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the remainder upon Transfer being effected. The Vessel is at Purchaser's risk immediately after fall of hammer. Hongkong, January 23, 1877.

For Sale.

# HAVE FOR SALE.

AMERICAN COOKING & PARLOUR

YORK:-ANDREW WIND, 188, Not- TIENDERS and FIRE IRONS. Superior California LAMBSWOOL

FAIRBANK'S SCALES, from 400 lb. BRUSSELS and TAPESTRY CAR-PETS, various patterns. VELVET and TAPESTRY SOFA CARPETS and RUGS.

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Gun-WADS, PERCUSSION CAPS. STATIONERY, of every description. BOOKS.

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SHEET MUSIC and SONGS. French APPLES, and LEMONS. SALMON BELLIES, in Kits. MACKEREL, TONGUES & SOUNDS. Family PIG PORK, and Prime Mess SEEF, in Kegs 25 lb. each.

CAVIARE, SARDELLES, and Spiced ANCHOVIES. Prime American BACON and HAMS. Cutting's JAMS and JELLIES Assorted. GRAHAM FLOUR, CORN MEAL, RYE MEAL, &c., &c.

Canned Dessert FRUITS. Compressed CORNED BEEF, and BEEF TONGUES. PICKLED SALMON, in Quantities to suit Purchasers. CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S OILMANS' STORES, of every kind; Fresh Supplies

received by every Steamer. OLARET in Cask, (BANDOL), Superior Quality. BARCLAY PERKIN'S PORTER, in Hogsleads and Kilderkins. GUINNESS'S STOUT, Bottled by E. & J.

BURKE, in Pints and Quarts. BASS' PALE ALE, Bottled by CAMERON and Saunders, in Pints and Quarts.

Hongkong, January 3, 1878.

# Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. HORATIO GAY JAMES WAS admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878. GEO, R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1878, NOTICE. THE Business hitherto conducted in my

name will from This Date be Carried on under the Style of GROSSMANN & Co., Mr G. A. GROSSMANN having become a Partner therein. C. F. GROSSMANN. Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE. AR. BERNHARD SCHMACKER WI authorized to Sign our Firm by

CARLOWITZ & Co. Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm

from This Date. MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr

JOSEPH PERROTT BARNES in our Firm in China CEASES from This Date. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1877. NOTICE.

TAR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE. will henceforward conduct the Agency of

-G. R. STEVENS. Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

NOTICE, HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COM-

J. Y. VERNON SHAW. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

T HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port, under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS, ENGINEERS AND BOILERMAKERS,

WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co.. Late Manager of the Novelty Iron Works. Hongkong ... Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

Intimations.

DUSSIAN CIGARETTES. PERAMBULATORS. ICE PITCHERS.

SADDLES, BRIDLES. WHIPS, SPURS.

HORSE-BRUSHES. SADDLE CLOTHS, GIRTHS.

LETTS'S DIARIES (with Anglo-Chinese Calendar) for 1878. COIR MATS.

SCARVES, in the Newest Styles. SHIRTS, COLLARS, IRON and BRASS BEDSTEADS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO

STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Shareholders are requested to apply at

P. A. DA COSTA.

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Beoretary.

Becretary.

the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

I the HONGKONG HOTEL, the pre-

August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to

be sent in on or before the 31st March,

1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong

HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. apl

ANCE ASSOCIATION.

ending the 30th September, 1877, and a

further Dividend of Taels 10.50 per Share,

being interest on Shareholders' Capital at

the Rate of 12 per cent, per Annum, for

will be Payable on the 16th Instant, at the

Office of the Secretaries to Shareholders of

will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 15th

The Transfer BOOKS of the Association

the quarter ending December, 1877.

record on the 10th Instant.

Instant, inclusive.

SHANGHAL, January 7th, 1878.

NOTIOE.

Hongkong, January 25, 1878.

any information required.

By Order of the Directors,

Hongkong, January 25, 1878.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY.

TAUCHNITZ NOVELS.

HAVANA CIGARS.

NOTICE TO SHARFHOLDERS.

LIMITED.

THE DIVIDEND of \$2.50 per SHARE, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held To-day, wil be Payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai BANKING CORPORATION on and after the 1st Proximo.

Shareholders are requested to apply at the Secretary's Office for Warrants. By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary. -

Hongkong, January 25, 1878. G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER

MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS

AND BOOKS. 46, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

MPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

NOTICE.

A. MILLAR & Co., PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS, Queen's Road East, HONGKONG.

September 15, 1877. AFONG. PHOTOGRAPHER, by appointment, to SIR ARTHUR KENNEDI

GOVERNOR OF HONGRONG! and to was admitted a PARTNER in our H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB, Tras on hand the Largest and Best ULYULO HAVE This Day established myself at II collection of Views of China, Phothis Port as a MEROHANT and COM- tographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of MISSION AGENT, under the Style or assorted sizes. Ex S. S. Tigre, Revolving Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather, the Australian Stram Navigation Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and Frames, nice Albums for Cabinet Portraits only, Portraits of the Generals of the present Russo-Turkish War, Eminent British Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassador, in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizess Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.

Hougkong, August 24, 1877. AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE.

No. 57, Praya West. SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF

COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice, Hongkong, May 1, 1879,

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,

LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company the 18th February next, both days in-

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers,

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE

SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

\$2.25 per SHARE, declared at the J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President. Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Share-SAMUEL BOBROWE, Secretary. holders held This Day, will be Payable at A. A. HAYES, JR., General Manager, for the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Cor-China and Japan. PORATION on and after MONDAY, the 28th

> 120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Surplus ...... \$ 5,500,000 THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of terms very favourable to the assured. For full information and particulars, sent Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st apply to

Hongkong, January 21, 1878. THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

THE NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Com-2 o'clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY, the 15th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the

Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1877. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE

IN THE GOODS OF

GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS, Deceased.

ATOTICE is hereby given that all Oreditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Patent Slip Proprietor and Ship builder, who died at Victoria aforesaid on the 30th day of October, 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, Probate whereof was granted to WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, of Victoria aforesaid, Esquire, the Executor therein named by the Supreme Court of Hong. kong, in its Probate Jurisdiction on the 8th day of November, 1877, are hereby required to send, in writing, the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said WILLIAM HOWELL FOREES at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, the Solicitor of the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, at the

office of the said WM. HENRY BRERETON, 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last mentioned day, the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES will proceed to distribute the assets of the said GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES shall then have had notice; and that the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORSES will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person of whose Claim the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES shall not have had notice at the

> WM. H. BRERETON, Bolicitor for the said WILLIAM HOWELL FOREES.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE. T.R. W. C. EASTLACK will Commence Practice in Honokone, on the 20th

Hongkong, January 15, 1878,

Instant

DENTAL NOTICE. TR. ROGERS begs to say that he has RETURNED, and is now ready to receive Patients.

fel8 A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo.,

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF. To be had from Messra Lane, Crawford & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messre KELLY & WALSH, Shanghal Agent of the

shipping.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship : Capt. S. Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 31st Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to

INMAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Hongkong, January 28, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

about the 29th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Agents. Hongkong, January 25, 1878.

FOR BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

The Eastern and Austra-

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The British Steamer "CAIRNSMUIR,"

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, January 19, 1878.

FOR LONDON. The 100 A I British Ship "BROOMHALL, H. BATE, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

Hongkong, January 7, 1878. FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 British Barque

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, January 28, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Barkentine "MARION," R. Howes, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch,

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "B. F. WATSON, HAWKINS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Of

Hongkong, November 22, 1877.

NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part L. pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

The Company's Steamship "OITY OF LIMERICK" will be despatched on or

BIRLEY & Co.,

(Calling off the usual Australian Coast Ports.)

will be despatched from for BRISBANE, SYDNE and MELBOURNE, (calling at the usual Australian Coast Ports), on the 5th Proximo.

- For Freight or Passage, apply to the Undersigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878.

Capt. Spowart, shortly expected from SINGAPORE, will

have immediate despatch as above. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Sailing Vessels.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Captain WYETH, will load hers

will have quick despatch,

Hongkong, January 3, 1878,

日七十月二十年丑丁

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Intimations.

THE Ninth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on MON-DAY, the 18th February next, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the Year 1877, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

Hongkong, January 26, 1878.

NOTICE. will be CLOSED from the 4th to

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE Co., LIMITED. Hongkong, January 26, 1878.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 3 % or HENRY B. HYDE, President.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,

above Company, are prepared to Accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon

OLYPHANT & Co.,

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

pany will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at Half-past OFFICE OF THE YANGTSZE INSUR-

IN Accordance with a Resolution passed will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 15th at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-February, both days inclusive. ING of July 5th, 1877, the Directors have declared a Dividend to Shareholders of

Taels 49.50 per Share for the fiscal Year Secretary. Hongkong, January 18, 1878. The above Dividends (Taels 60 per Share).

Persons co lecting Dividends for absent Shareholders are requested to exhibit their Powers of Attorney for registry at the By Order of the Directors, RUBSELL & Co., Becretaries.

the lat day of May, 1878. TESIRING to benefit by the worldwide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Sults at law have been instituted against the MARRES AND PURCHASEES of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRIL-LIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the time of the distribution.

Dated this let day of January, 1878. THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING Co.,

80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets, NEW YORK, U. S. A.

words "DEVOE M'FG DO. PATENTS are stamped on the top of the can.

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL,

SAFE

BARQUE JOHN POTTS, FROM NEW YORK.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 24, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES. B. YANGTSE.

NOTICE. MONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Gange, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-DAY, the 28th Instant, at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR-DAY, the 2nd February, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY. Hongkong, January 28, 1878.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo per Norwegian Bark VEGA, NORDTVEDT, Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel. Cargo impeding the discharge will be

landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

COAL.

TOEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM D COAL for Sale, ex Godown. Apply to

BATTLESI& Co. Hongkong, December 8, 1877.

### To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SAIGON, The German Steamship "ALTONA, Multer, Master, will be despatched as above on the 4TH FEBRUARY Next, at 2 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Hongkong, January 29, 1878, FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG VI.

SUEZ CANAL The German Steamship FEBRUARY, 1878.

For Freight or Passage, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 29, 1878. FOR SHANGHAI, HIOGO AND

YOKOHAMA. The Steamship will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY. the 2nd February, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, S. S. Glenorchy.

Hongkong, January 29, 1878. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenorchy having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods will be landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be ob-

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai and Japan, unless notice be given before Noon To-morrow. Oargo remaining undelivered after the 5th February will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, S. S. Glenorchy. Hongkong, January 29, 1878.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

ITHE S. S. Cairnsmuir, Capt. Spowart, having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in Meanry Norton & Co.'s Godowns, whence and or from the Boats or Wharf delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohams, unless notice to the contrary is given before 2 p.m. To-MOHROW. Cargo remaining undelivered after the Brd Proximo will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents. Hongkong, January 29, 1878

LL CLAIMS against the British S. S. A BERTHA, LANGLEY, Master, for the and fine. voyage from London to Hongkong, must be sent in to the Undersigned before & p.tit.

WM. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, January 20, 1878.

JUST RECEIVED.

DARIS-MADE BOOTS FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, -A 140,-

AN INVOICE OF PINAUD PERFUMERY. C. L. THEVENIN. Queen's Road, No. 44. Hongkong, Japuary 29, 1878,

Charters Effected. The following charters have been effected | hazy. during the last few days :--Danish bark Assens, 256, hence to Dunkirk, £1.15 per ton of 50 ft.

Channel for orders to a port in the United Kingdom or to New York or Boston, Swatow 19 cents per picul, or to Amoy for

orders 21 cents per picul, 20 lay days. German bark Ceres, 420, Chefoo to Swatow 19 cents per picul, or to Amoy for orders 21 cents per picul, 20 lay days. German bark Helene, 372, hence to Chefoo and back 24 cents per picul, 25 lay

German bark Humboldt, 830, Shanghai to Tientain and back to Swatow via Newchwang 60 cents per picul, 85 lay days. American bark Ada Wiswell, 556, Saigon to Callao, £1,500 in full. British steamer Charlton, Haiphong to Hongkong, private.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Aleither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew For MANILA .of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. hweer.-Melchers & Co. VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks. -Melchers & Co.

ADELINA & MARIANNE, German barque, Captain C. N. Dahl. - Wm. Pustau & Co. Quickster, American barque, Captain Barnaby. - Captain. TARTAR, German brig, Captain Kaemena.

-Melchers & Co. ABERNYTE, British barque, Captain Congours, - Order. ZANZIBAR, British steamer, Captain Gardener Fox. - Captain. JOHN POTTS, British barque, Captain McPherson. - Douglas Lapraik & Co. PARSEE, British steamer, Capt. Sergent. -Melchers & Co.

Marie, German barque, Captain Hundewadt .- Wieler & Co. DANUBE, British steamer, Capt. Clanchy. -Yuen Fat Hong.

# SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Jan. 29, Danube, British steamer, 570 Clanchy, Bangkok Jan. 16, and Saigon 22, General. Yven Far Hong. Jan. 29, Fuyew, Chinese steamer, from

Jan. 29, Sun-kee, Chinese R. C., from a Jan. 29, Thorkild, German brig, 155, Raade, Halphong Jan. 2, Rice. - ABNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Jan. 29, Sunda, British steamer, 1036, Reeves, Yokohama Jan. 22, Mails and General.-P. & O. S. N. Co. Jan. 29, City of Limerick, British steamer, 1624, G. Lochead, Shanghai (Woosung) Jan. 26, Tea and Straw-braid. - BIRLEY &

Jan. 29. H.M.S. Vigilant, from Canton. Jan. 29, Radnorshire, British steamer, 1201, Thomson, Saigon Jan. 25, Rice .-H. KIER & Co.

ed as above towards the end of J. Y. V. SHAW.

T. W. Freeman, Liverpool Dec. 1, via port of call, and Singapore Jan. 19, General. -Butterfield & Swine. Jan. 29, Glenorchy, British steamer, 1763, Hogg, London Dec. 9, via ports of call,

and Singapore Jan. 21, General. - JARDINE MATHEBON & Co. Jan. 29, Cairnemuir, British steamer, 1123, S. Spowart, London Dec. 4, via ports of call, and Singapore Jan. 20, General.-

HOLLIDAY, WISH & Co. Jan. 29, Hailoong, British steamer, 277 J. C. Abbott, Tamani Jan. 25, Amoy 27, and Swatow 28, Treasure and General,-DOUGLAS LAPBAIR & Co.

DEPARTURES. Jan. 29, Tientsin, for Swatow.

29, Volga, for Yokohama. 29, Marie Charlotte, for Mantung. 29. Kronprindsessen, for Trieste.

29. Indus, for Shanghai. 29, Yangtsé, for Shanghai, 29, Malacca, for Yokohama. 29. Sun-kee, for a cruise. 29, Mariveles, for Manila.

OLEARED. Julia A. Brown, for Guam. Washi, for Halphong. Taiwan, for Holhow.

> PASSENGERS. ARRIVED.

Per Glenorchy, from London, &c., Mr and Mrs Buchannan and 2 children, and 11

Per Hailoong, from Tamsul, Mr Grase-Per Danube, from Bangkok, 210 Chinese, Per Sunda, from Yokohama, Several

Chinese and 1 Japanese. Per Radnorshire, from Salgon, 2 Chinese. Per Butuan, from Manila, 1 European. Per Nestor, from Straits, 586 Chinese,

Per Cairnemuir, from Straits, 81 Chinese. DEPARTED. Per Indus, for Shanghai, Messrs P. W. Auton, Tata, Mahoney, R.N., Staff-Surgeon Maclver, Mrs Glover, and Master W.

Per Mariveles, for Manila, Mesers J. Brown and W. Siemssen, and 1 Chinese, To DEPART. Per Achilles, for Singapore, &c., Mr and

Mrs Collins, and 6 Europeans, SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Danue reports!

Strong N.E. gales up to Lat. of Cape Varella, from thence moderate monsoon The British steamer Sunda reports Strong monsoon and thick weather during

TO-MORROW, the 30th Instant, or they latter part of passage. Fell in with Jap-will not be recognized.

The British Steamer City of Limerick reports : Fresh to strong W.N.W. to N.B. winds and cloudy weather with moderate

The British steamer Radnorshire reports : Light S.E. winds and fine weather. The British steamer Nestor reports ! Strong N.E. monsoons until 27th, then fine until yesterday morning, after which heavy

The British steamer Glenorchy reports ! From Singapore to the latitude of the Paracels had strong N.E. gales with very turbulent sea. From Paracels experienced fine clear weather till within 50 miles of

the Gap Rock, when it set in thick and

The British steamer Cairnsmuir reports: Strong S. W. gales in the Bay of Biscay, heavy weather in the Mediterranean. Three French bark Sophie D., 758, Ho Ho to days passage through the Eucz Canal. Arrived at Penang 14th Jan, and Singapore 18th. Left Singapore on the 20th for rivate.

German bark Ferdinand, 416, Chefoo to soon up to Pulo Sapata, thence favourable weather until the 28th and for 24 hours dense fog and off Lema Islands hove to.

The British steamer Hailoong reports From Formosa to Amoy experienced light N. W. and Westerly wind with foggy weather, from Amoy to Swatow first part calm with hazy weather, latter-part fresh breeze and clear weather. Thence to port fresh wind with dull hazy weather. In Amoy :- Stra. Emuy (Spanish), Fei Hoo (Chinese). In Swatow :- Strs. Howang, Norna. Jan. 28th, at 5 p.m., S. S. Douglas left for Amoy.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:-

For BANGKOK .-Per barque Phaeton, at 8.30 a.m. Tomorrow, the 30th inst.

Per barque Rosa Bottcher, at 1 p.m. Tomorrow, the 30th inst. For SHANGHAL. Per Fuyew, at 8.30 p.m. To-morrow, the

30th Inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Yesso, at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, the 80th inst., instead of as previously For BANGKOK ....

Per Tintern Abbey, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 1st February. For SHANGHAI, HIOGO AND YOKO-Per Glenorchy, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 1st February.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET,-The English Contract Packet Mirrapore, will be despatched with the Malis for Europe, do., on THURSDAY, the 31st instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, do. :-Wednesday, 30th Instant 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 31st instant, 7 A.M., Post Office opens for of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence, 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage till

(11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

1st February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows :-

Hongkong, January 18, 1878.

2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paragusy, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route. Hongkong, January 19, 1878.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet Sindh will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 7th February, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. Wednesday, 6th Feb .--5 r. K., Money Order Office closes. Office closes except the NIGHT BOX.

which remains open all night, Thursday, 7th Feb .-A.M., Post Office opens for sale Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late 11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a to Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,

11.80 A.K., when the Post Office CLOSES Hongkong, January 24, 1878.

General Memoranda. THUESDAY, January 81:--Daylight - Yesso leaves for Coast Ports.

9 p.m.—Amateur Theatrical Performance at the City Hall. Glangule leaves for London on or about this date. Goods per Lerns undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 1 :--8 p.m. -- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco. 9 p.m.-Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Dividend of \$2.50 per Share of H. Hotel Co., Limited, payable at Hongkong Saturday, February 2;---

Daylight - Glenorthy leaves for Shange Goods per Yangise undelivered after Noon, subject to sent and landing Transfer Books of The China Fire limit. ance Co., Limited, closed from this date

to 15th February, inclusive. SUNDAY. February 8;-Goods per Coirnemuir undelivered after this date subject to rent

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous. Notice of optional cargo per Glenorchy to be given before Noon. Notice of optional cargo per Cairnamuir

to be given before 2 p.m. Claims against the Bertha must be sent in to the Agents before 4 p.m.

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BIRTH. At Greenmount, on the 27th January, 1878, Mrs John Fairbairn, of a Son.

At Shanghai, this morning, of heart disease, ARTHUR WILLIS SAYLE, eldest Son of Robert Sayle, Trumpington, Cambs.

# THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGRONG, TUESDAY, JAN. 29, 1878. THE telegrams we publish to-day seem the conditions of peace were settled,-a to convey in a very indirect manner one very probable circumstance—consequentimportant piece of intelligence—that an ly if an armistice has been concluded armistice has been concluded between half the battle of the peace negotiations the opposing forces in Turkey. No other must have been fought. It is also now construction than this can, we think, be pretty evident that in an attack upon very well placed on the paragraph read- Constantinople the Russians would run ing: "The Porte is ignorant that the very considerable risk of encountering 6 feet 6 inches. She has been built by the signing of an armistice and the peace other troops than Turks, and viewing A.M., when the Post Office Choses conditions have been revealed otherwise the exhausted state of Russian finances, than to the Turkish Parliament in a the heavy losses of the present campaign, confidential communication." Here the the nature of the hostilities that would Porte is clearly represented as being be carried on by England, and ignorant that the signing of an armistice strength of the defences of Constantino The launch was effected in admirable style, has been made known generally, butaware ple, it seems to us that the Czar is not the moment the dugs were removed she that it has communicated the occurrence likely to be too exacting in his demands 11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally of such an event to the Turkish Parlia- on Turkey, or insist upon conditions ment, and whether the paragraph be which that country cannot reasonably be considered as a reply on the part of the expected to fulfil, or which outside Porte to an interrogation, or as the state- Powers will not endorse with their ap- of Salangore, Abdul Samat, the christening MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. ment of Reuter's Agent in London, it proval. The United States Mail Packet Oceanic can only mean, as it stands, that the will be despatched on FRIDAY, the Porte has confidentially intimated to the Turkish Parliament that an armistice has been signed. We remark so fully on this point because this is the first intimation that has been received of the suspension of hostilities; while recent telegrams assured us that Russia would refuse to sign an armistice until the basis of the conditions of peace were set tled between the parties. It is true that the suspension of hostilities in Bulgaria. was denied in a previous telegram, but as the latest news in regard to an armistice received up to that time merely stated that Servier Pacha and Namyk Pacha (not Servier Namyk, as was tele graphed), had started for Kesanlik to treat about an armistice, and hostile movements were being reported at the same time, the denial was hardly required. The resignation of Lord Carnarvon, and the tendering of the resignation of Lord Derby, leaves no doubt as to divisions in the Cabinet, and indicates pretty clearly the rejection of the counsels of both these ministers. In the face of these circumstances it is important to know that both Lord Derby and Earl sent war, approved the policy of the Earl man-of-war off the Brothers steering S.W.

Carnarvon were on what might be termed the "peace side" of the Cabinet. If proof be needed of this, it is furnished in one of the telegrams extracted from the Indian papers, and published in these columns yesterday. This telegram, it will be remembered, asserted that in speech made by Mr Forster, M.P. for Bradford, on the 5th instant, he "spoke against British intervention in the preof Carnaryon and the Earl of Derby. and said that if the Cabinet were divided he would advise Lord Beaconsfield to THE P. & O. Co.'s steamer Sunda reports has apparently now retired from the having rescued three Japanese men from the more warlike of the two, retains and were without food, office provisionally. En passant, it may Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports be interesting to speculate whether the WE are giad to hear that Mr Ford, the retirement of Lord Carnaryon from the Colonial Office will have much effect Superintendent of the Government Gardens, upon the policy of administration pur- has not left the Colonial service, and that stied in Her Majesty's Colonies in gene- he is expected to return to his duties here in ral, and Hongkong in particular. Mr a few months. Hennessy has more than once expressed into the Dardanelles "to keep the waterway and protect British interests" (1) prevent it, a Russian occupation of Con- in Wai Akwong v. Li Sing. stantinople, even of a temporary nature. The Dardanelles would be a rather ticklish

weeks later he suffered severe loss, the defenders hurling down stones of many the engineers had left his room only a few tons weight, from the castles upon the British ships. The allied English and French fleets also passed the Dardanelles at the Sultan's request in 1853, and five hanging up in his berth when he left it. months later the first divisions of the One coat contained a number of valuable French and English armies proceeding against the Russians landed at Gallipoli a town at the Constantinople end of the Strait, and, aided by the natural advantages of the ground, speedily succeeded thieves has been obtained. in rendering that place impregnable to attack from the land. Under the old name of the Hellespont the Dardanelles are associated with other events in history. It was here that Leander used to take a mile swim every night to visit his lady-love, and Lord Byron added to the notoriety of the Strait by swimming across it at the commencement of the present century. It was the Hellespont that Xerxes is said by veracious historians to the largest number, but with the enhanced have crossed by a bridge of boats in 480 B. C., at the head of a following 5,283,230 souls, and to have subsequently met with that brilliant repulse at the some benevolent men, who give away hands of Leonidas and his three hundred food in the shape of sweet potatoes, and Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, in the pass of Thermopylae—not however also clothing. that we wish to be understood as endorsing the accuracy of these large facts in history. We are afraid there were telegraphs of some sort in those days, and that the advices were not always reliable. If in these enlightened times we find s remark of Lord Salisbury that "the waves of war now approach the localities defined as affecting British interests appearing out here as "Lord Salisbury waved (sic) the idea that the war will approach the localities defined as relating to British interests," it is hardly reasonable to expect Herodotus, Thucydides and other highly respectable but ancient Greek historians to be accurate within a million or two. Assuming that an armistice has been concluded, there are grounds for hoping that this fearful slaughter of human beings has ceased. We were told that Russia would not perform its duty in this regard without consent to an armistice until the basis of | delay.

> REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL." (By Southern Route.)

THE WAR. LONDON, 27th Jan., 1878. It is announced that the Porte is pledged to conceal the conditions of peace until the

treaty of peace has been concluded. In the House of Commons in reply to a question the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that the Mediterranean Squadron had received orders to rendezvous at, and to enter the Dardanelles, solely to keep the waterway and to protect British interests. Lord Derby will retain his office pro-

The Porte is ignorant that the signing of | THE 74th Highland Regiment landed this an armistice, and the peace conditions have morning at the Naval Yard. The rank and been revealed otherwise than to the Turkish file began to disembark about & past 9

The Russian headquarters are advancing. The British fleet has entered the Dar- headed by the Piper of the Company, and danelles, but will withdraw directly Besika Bay.

# LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE S. S. Glenorchy, which arrived here this afternoon, steamed round to the Aberdeen Dook to discharge some heavy cargo.

THE S.S. Limerick reports A.S.M.F. French at 8 p.m. on 28th.

Government, but Lord Derby, perhaps boat; they had been in the boat several days

his very deep respect for the "principles WH are requested to state that Mr Justice The following is a list of the Officers of again and again laid down by the noble Snowden will sit to try the only remaining the 74th Highlanders;—Majors—John Jago criminal case to-morrow at 10 o'clock, and and Abel Straghan. Captains-Robert E. Jurors will have to attend; and at the con. Dears, Peter M'Alpine, Evelyn John tends to strengthen the conviction that clusion of that case, the Full Court will sit | Hamilton, Charles Squirl, and James Otway England will not permit, if she is able to to hear the continuation of the arguments Toler. Quartermaster-Donald Swanson.

strait to enter without Turkish permis. The prospectus of the new Sugar Company, teret W. Carey, Henry Ludlow Lopes, sion, being only about a mile wide in having for its object the purchase and Richard E. Goold-Adams, Dudley Stuart one or two parts where it is commanded working of the present works at East Point, Keys, Frank Maxwell, John Henry Greet, by formidable fortifications. It is not including purchase of the buildings, will, it Gilbert A. Pagan, Cecil C. Cavendish, and without historical and warlike associations for the British navy. In 1807 is stated, be issued immediately. Sugar John G. E. Templar. Sub-Lieutehantethe passage of the Strait was achiev. Would seem to be fast becoming an import. W. Mordannt M. Edwards, A. A. Hensage, ed, without permission, by a British ant factor in our total trade with China, H. Midwood, A. M. Synge, and L. H. equadron under Six John Duck. and sertainly in that of our level industries. Stevenson,

but in repassing it a few A DARING robbery was committed this morning on board the S.S. Yesso. One of minutes to visit the engine-room, and on his return he missed two coats which were testimonials and his certificate of competency, besides about \$16 in money. As yet we are sorry to say no trace of the

> THE recent severity of the weather in Canton has caused a great amount of suffering to the poor, and beggars have died by the hundred within the last few weeks. It is asserted that the charitable institution which makes its business to bury the dead exposed in the streets has interred in one day no less than sixty corpses! This is price of rice, many struggling men have become beggars, in spite of the charity of

WHATEVER personal feeling may be entertained for the engineers of the Yesso, who were sentenced to-day for culpable neglect of duty, there can be no two opinions regarding the fairness shown by all concerned in the trial. The conduct of the prosecution was most unimpassioned and impartial; the same spirit seemed to animate the Jury and the Counsel for the defence; while Judge Snowden's summing up (as the Chief Justice said) "was a model of judicial fairness," and his sentence is the same. It is to be hoped that the unfortunate affair will lead to more caution on the part of every one engaged in such dangerous employment, and that the Government will

A SMALL steamer was launched this afternoon by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, from their yard at Kowloong. Her dimensions are—length over all 72 feet, extreme breadth 12 feet, and depth of hold Dock Company to the order of Capt. Bloomfield Douglas, British Resident at Salangore, and she will be used by that gentleman in his official capacity, as British resident. glided smoothly into the water, with the Salangore and Straits' flags flying at stem and stern. She was named after the Sultan ceremony being gracefully performed by Mrs Snowden. It is saying a good deal for the ship-building capabilities of Hongkong that people in the Straits should come here for such work and inour the risk and expense of the journey, with Singapore so much nearer to them. The Abdul Samat is expected to be ready for sea in about 10 days; she is to be fitted with a pair of direct acting engines of 15 H.P. nominal, having a feed water-heating apparatus. Judging from the fine lines on which she is built it is expected she will attain a speed of 9 knots. She will proceed to the Straits under steam and canvas; and Captain Douglas, who is at present in the Colony, will most probably go with her.

Parliament in a confidential communication. o'clock and No. 1 Company filed out of the Yard about 20 minutes after 10 o'clock, marched to MacGregor Barracks. The main body left the Yard about 1 past 10, headed by the Band. Passing No. 4 Police Station the Band ceased playing, and the Pipers (seven in number) struck up, to the no small astonishment of the natives who gazed open mouthed at the kilted warriors playing on instruments which sent forth strains of melody not unlike their own crude clarionets. The troops filed off to Victoria and Wellington Barracks, and then a scene of bustle only witnessed on such occasions occupied the rest of the day. The 74th Highlanders are a fine lot of men. but their ranks appear to be filled with much older men than the 28th. We wish them a hearty welcome, and trust we shall get along pleasantly together so long as they remain amongst us. The Scots need not be without a piper on next 86 Andrew's Day, if all goes well. The Tamar, we believe, will, according to present arrangements, leave this on the 12th,

Lieutenants-Henry Boughey, Claude M. MacDonald, Henry Robert Kelham, Carthe room was broken into, when Mr Perrot a trait with the Chinese. was found dead-suffocated by the poisonous Eldridge in presence of Mr. A. Conil. remains will be interred to-morrow at nine a.m. Strange that the experience of others will never teach that smouldering charcoal in closed rooms is a foe, at least as fatal as,

It appears we were misinformed yesterday for the Regiment to be on board by 9 o'clock this morning. On board the Regiment was, accordingly, and the Tamar left Tanjong Pagar wharf about half past 9 o'clock, and anchored outside in the Harbour, and left for Hongkong at two o'clock this afternoon. It will be easily understood that with the Ball last night the unexpected orders received late must have caused a good deal of hurrying to and fro in the Regiment, as on a famous historical occasion. That portion of the Regiment stationed at the Tanglin Harracks started from the barracks at an early hour this morning, under the | described as a native of America, was charged command of Colonel MacLeod, with the on remand with cutting and wounding a gun band and pipers in front, excerted by a lascar. After hearing the evidence of Staffcompany of the 28th, with its band as far | Surgeon Pollock and Inspector Lindsay, the as the Grange Road in Orchard Road. defendant, who had nothing to say in defence, Here the Band of the 28th played a bar or | was committed for trial. two of "Auld Lang Syne," and bade goodbye to their comrades of the 74th with three thundering cheers, which were returned by the Highlanders with a will. The 74th then called at Fort Canning to pick up the company there and proceeded on their way to the Tanjong Pagar Wharf, their own magnificent band playing sundry enlivening airs, and by 9 o'clock all were stowed a butcher, were charged on remand with on board the Tamar. When Col. McLeod stealing a watch. The owner of the watch left the Tamar this afternoon the Band was found and proved losing it at the Po played "Auld Lang Syne," and words Lok Theatre. The 1st defendant said he could not convey the enthusiasm with which. did not steal it, but it was handed to him at the men cheered their gallant Colonel. The | the Theatre by the man who did. The 2nd 74th leaves the Straits with the cordial defendant said the watch was pledged to him good wishes of the community. -Straits by the 1st defendant. Both prisoners were Times, Jan. 19.

CHINA AFFAIRS AT HOME. (From our London Correspondent.)

Contrary to what was generally anticipat-

ed the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce have decided to back up the Chefoo Convention and to send in a petition to the Government in favour of its ratification. How Liverpool has managed to come to this conclusion, it is certainly difficult to | She returned to the house and made a great understand, as the Chamber there was fully posted up as to the bearing of the Lekin | Summons dismissed. dues clause; and as to the generally unsatisfactory nature of the provisions it contains. It is possible their action may be in part accounted for by the fact that Sir Thos. Wade has been in Liverpool, where he has been holding forth upon Chinese No doubt his explanations would seem plausible enough to those unacquainted with the true bearing of the matter, and it would not be surprising that the Liverpool Chamber should have been juffuenced by so high an authority. I understand, however, that there is every probability that Manchester will take a defendant on the grounds set out in the different view and Edinburgh and Bradford | motion. The first point taken was that extras have already pronounced their opinions having been ordered and executed, the against the ratification. The likelihood I delay was due in some measure to that should think is whatever further opinions cause. In the words of the answer "the ratify the Convention, but will insist upon to be performed as mentioned in par. 3 of some modifications in it. To throw it over the answer." In point of fact there were altogether after it has been so long in only two extra pieces of work to which this becoming involved in a war, Government with treaties with China.

was taken up here is interesting. That in the nature of a penalty. Is the plaintiff the security for it is good, those who know | prevented from recovering the penalties all the ins and outs of matters in China are aware; but the public here could not be having executed these two extras? The aware of the fact and were wrongly warned evidence shows that they were ordered and by all the daily papers from the Times par ly begun in May and finished in July, downward that this was not clear. Notwithstanding this subscriptions came in the engines were not ready was the reason hard and fast, and it is evident that even | why the work of the ship generally was not a much larger sum could have been easily pressed forward. The jury allowed ten obtained. It seems evident, therefore, days as ample time for performing these that the name of a Government loan has extras. It cannot in any sense be said that atill great attractions even after all past these extras prevented the ship being ready forfeiture for any non-completion of the experience. That the investors have ac. to be delivered on May 5th. The learned work within a specified time was a penalty, jections, the verdict of guilty stands cidentally come in for a good thing, is cer- Attorney-General contends that if these and not settled, ascertained, and liquidated against this defendant as well as against 2nd with receiving. The barque came from

agreed to by Treaty. A lecture was a short stated in Comyns' Digest is this; The couped to him under this clause. If the Judge to preside at it. I looked care bags being taken from a stone boat to time back delivered by the Secretary of the performance of a contract shall be excused only damage to the plaintiff had been the fully into the case and read much in res No. 9 Wanchai Road. This excited his l egation here which practically amounted by the obstruction of the obligee. The non-completion within the time, I should ference to it, and I felt that it was one re- suspicion and he reported the matter to to an advocacy of this measure. It may be proposition is stated in Addison on Contracts have looked with great suspicion on a quiring more than ordinary care in its con- Sergeant Grant. Both then went to the boat worth while, however, noticing that Japan | p. 67, in 'he following way: "If performance | verdict giving damages apparently calculate duct by the Judge and Councel. I very when they saw a number of bage of beans worm while, however, high duties—they are simply unsuited to the ordering of extra works or by the inter- Mr. Justice Snowden states that various it, but want of health disabled me and he No. 9 Wanchai Road. The 2nd prisoner Hongkong Hotel Co., 467 the tastes of the public, so that there is not ference of the employer or his agent, the other damages besides arising out of time cheerfully presided. I never read the re- produced a paper, which was a request to Chinese Propertal Loan, £104.10/. much reason for complaint on this score, claim to penalties cannot be enforced." were proved to have accrued to the plaint port of a case with greater respect for the the police to pass 25 bags of peas. It was The Japanese are certainly not to be blamed Holms and Guppy 8 M. and W. 887 comes tiff, and that these were taken into conduct of it by Judge and all the Counsel, not signed but was in the lat prisoner's for over modesty. They think that, having exactly within the terms of the principle consideration by the Jury. I am of From a popular point of view words to hand-writing. The 2nd prisoner at first adopted European customs to some little as stated in Comyne's Digest. The plaintiffs, opinion that it was competent for the a like effect have been used, and now said he got it from the lat prisoner (Taken at Mosers Halseners & Co.'s Premisse extent, they are now fully on an equality who were builders; were kept out of posses- Jury to have taken these damages into con- speaking as a Lawyer I doneur in what for \$30, but this he afterwards denied, with all other nations, and they are evi- sion of the land on which they had to build sideration, the presiding judge thinks that has been said by one of the on-looking and said it was given him by the dently determined not to lose any opportu- for four weeks by default of the defendants, these were so taken into consideration, public that "the Judge's summing up was let prisoner, being sweepings of the nity of asserting their independence. Your and were detained one week more in the and that they formed items making up the a model of judicial fairness." I note that hold. The main question was whether this readers who are used to see the Japs "at same way by the fault of their own men total which the jury included in the sum the verdict is that of a majority, but by our property was feloniously stolen or not and home" or in China would be amused to and four weaks by default of masons em- which they gave as their verdict, as their law that verdict must be accepted by the as to the 2nd prisoner, he was found in meet them here, and note the way in which ployed by the defendants. So that out of estimate of the netual loss to the plaintiff. Court as the tertith in very deed recent possession, and the burden of proof They are of course petted and flatter d to for the performance of the contract, two dissatisfied with that verdict; he thinks should feel so dissatisfied with it upon the After evidence was called, the Jury re-

neighbourhood of Friederich's Strange Berlin, as their confrères are in that of Regent's Circus here.

> Police Intelligence. (Both Magistrates sitting.) Jan. 29, 1878.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING. Apple Schuffer, a coloured woman, and

BLEEPY WATCHMAN. Ayeen, a watchman employed at Cosmopolitan Dock, was fined \$1 or 3 days' hard labour for sleeping at his post. .

Wong Afuk, a shoemaker, and Sin Ako. committed for trial, the 1st for stealing and the 2nd for receiving.

ALLEGED ASSAULT. William Lysaught, Inspector of Police at the Naval Yard, was summoned at the instance of a woman named Tsung Achun for assaulting her. The defendant stated that a piece of cloth was missing, and the complainant was suspected of having stolen it. His wife scarched the complainant, and the cloth was found concealed on the waistband of her trousers. He then paid the complainant her wages and sent her away: disturbance, so defendant pushed her away.

> SUPREME COURT. IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before the Full Court.)

HERNSHEIM V. FORBES (ELECUTOR OF THE LATE G. U. SANDS.

The Court now delivered judgment in Mr Justice Snowden - The Attorney. General moved in this suit in pursuance of leave reserved to enter the verdict for the may be expressed that the Government will delay was due to the extra work required suspense would be a rather strong measure, statement could apply, the false keel and but it will be impossible to iguore the raising the metal. For the nondelivery of views of the Government on the Opium | the ship at the time stipulated damages, question, and it is not likely that the called in legal phraseology liquidated, were Government here will fall to see to what an claimed. It is the duty of the judge to extent the revenue will be jeopardised decide from the intention of the parties should the Convention be ratified in its whether a sum stipulated to be paid on the present shape. It is to be feared however, | breach of a covenant is to be treated as a with continental politics in so doubtful and | penalty or as liquidated damages. It seemed dangerous a state as they are at present, to me that this sum, \$40 a day, was fixed and with the possibility of this country | upon only to compel the delivery of the ship on the day named, and not upon any will be disposed to make short work calculation of loss to the plaintiff if the time was not strictly observed. Upon The manner in which the last China loan further consideration I still think this was agreed upon by reason of the ordering and but it was also shown that the fact that tainly due more to good fortune than to extras were even ordered before the day damages, and that the penalty was not Mr Barnard. Before this trial came on, Chelco with a cargo of peas and beaus, fixed further completion of the contract recoverable for the breach of the condition, I felt that its importance was so great On the 20th January a Chinese Corporal It seems evident that Japan intends to penalties do not attach. I do not so read but that the plaintiff was entitled only to that according to practice in England ask for an increase of the tariff duties as the law on the subject. The principle as have actual damages incurred by him re- and classwhere it was my duty as Chief business at Wanchal, saw a number of

to ordinary people in fact as their own outs their agent, and the case came within to an accurate somelisticn than a judge Jury,

THE CHINA MAIL. ANOTHER case of asphyria from those fatal of perspective works of art do to ordinary charcoal fumes has occurred; this time on pictures. At the same time they often Coll., Camb., L.R. 6, Q.B. p. 244, there the exception of a small sum, not dissatis- prisoner that he had filed an affidavit in board a steamer but a few hours since in take quaint and original views of men was an express stipulation to do all extra fied with the verdict, and he has no wish this Court, in which he stated that he was harbour. Monsieur Georges Perrot, first and manners here. One, speaking of the work within the prescribed time unless it to disturb it. It do the rule under such in the forty-eighth year and that he had a officer of the Volga, which, carrying the conversation in society here as compared was extended by the bursar, This takes circumstances not to allow a new trial. I wife and two children and his mother-in-law European mails, sailed at daylight this mor- with what it was in his own country, said— the case out of the principle which I have therefore think that no new trial should be entirely depending on him for support. ning (Jan, 15th) having dired on board last "Oh yes, I understand your etiquette already quoted from Comyes Digest. It granted. I feel satisfied, believing that That he had been a ship's engineer for the evening, retired to his cabin at nine o'clock pretty well now. When the ladies are also was held to be an answer to the reand went to bed. He had previously caused present, we speak of lacquer ware and the plication, which sleged that defendant damages which would be recoverable on a to the time of the accident, the subject of new trial with costs, we are doing no disthis presecution, no accident resulting in be placed therein to warm it. At midnight, be confessed that if the Japanese are were so mixed up with the original work service to the defendant in refusing a new loss of life or personal injury had ever taken when his watch was called, the door of his concelted they are usually good-natured and that it was impossible for plaintiff to com- trial. cabin was rapped. No answer was returned often amusing; and have nothing of the plete his contract by the day fixed. But to repeated knocks and calls; and at length suspicious manner, which is so unfortunate in this case, these two extras were the subject of a distinct contract; they were pay his own costs of this motion, as it was engineer as aforesaid for support; and that You will see from your German papers that not alterations, they were additions of a partly justified by the confusion in which if he was imprisoned by this Honourable the Chinese Minister at Berlin has been re- very simple character which in no sensible the evidence for the plaintiff left the case. Court, he believed his present situation in brought ashore at three o'clock in the mor- celved there very well and has been presented degree interfered with the completion of In the other actions the defendant in each ning, and carried to the General Hospital, to the Emperor. It is evident that he has no | the contract by May 8th. The jury allow- must pay the costs. where an examination was made by Dr. reason to complain of the manner he is ed ten days, which they considered ample The Attorney-General, instructed by Mr Mr Hayllar, therefore, hoped the Court treated, and it is to be hoped that H. E. time. This deduction, however, does not Brereton, was for Mr Forbes; and Mr would weigh these and all other points Lui will find the state concerts more inter- prove anything as to the prevention of the Hayllar, Q.C., instructed by Mr Dennys, esting there than he considered those at completion of the ship by May 8th. In was for Mr Hernsheim. Buckingham Palace, over one of which he Roberts v. The Bury Improvement Comwent to sleep, awaking with a startling and missioners, L.J., vol. 5, C.P. p. 311, it and more insidious than, fire itself .- Japan inharmonious snore. The Chinese do not was admitted on the record "that the appear to be as well appreciated out of failure and non-exercise of due diligence doors as at Court, and it seems that some set up in the pleas as an answer to the deof the little street boys have vented their claration was caused by the obstruction Teutonic wit on the attaches and servants of the defendants." The defendants' retroopship Tamar, or perhaps a change of of His Excellency. Nothing serious how- joinder set up a determination of the programme took place at the last moment. ever has occurred, and no doubt ere long architect that they had not prevented the Orders were received at 9 o'clock last night the Legation will settle down, and the long-plaintiff from making due progress. It did not the Regiment to be on board by 9 o'clock tailed visitors become as familiar in the not allege they had not prevented him. The Court held that the determination of the architect did not bind the plaintiff. But the doctrine now in question was upheld. Chief Baron Kelly says. "the rule of law applies which exonerates one of two contracting parties from the performance of a contract, if it is prevented and rendered impossible by the wrongful act of the other contracting party." We are of opinion that the completion of this contract was in no way prevented or even delayed by these two extras, and that the plaintiff is entitled to whatever penelty the jury granted him. The Attorney-General argues that if there are penalties the jury must assess the real damages, and that they have not done sothat no evidence or damage was given beyoud the plaintiff's expenses and the wages of the Captain and Mr Scholinus, and other small out goings. These were, no doubt all estimated, and something besides. called attention at the trial to the vague way in which the damages were claimed in the petition. They were claimed either as liquidated damages-and if I could have so decided no evidence would have been required, as the parties would have assessed damages for themselves beforehand ; the claim was in the alternative as unliquidated damages, and evidence would be required and the jury would have to say the amount as is the case when stipulated sum is a penalty. Particular been demanded owing the hurr'ed way in which the trial was brought on. Perhaps I ought to have asked the jury to assess damages under each particular head. The plaintiffs claimed \$12,000 damages for breach of contract wit

regard to the construction of the steamship Pacific. These are the very words in which the claim: is set out. On referring to the short-hand writers' notes of the summing up. I find that every point in the claim for damages was put to the jury. They were old that they might allow the whole or less than the sum claimed for penalties. That penalties referred to time only. The jury were then invited to assess damages for deviation from Lloyds' rules if they thought fit, for defects in construction and in other ways. That they took the whole question into consideration is clear, as they disallowed a claim for defloiency in speed which they thought might be set to rights; but they, I believe, in forming an estimate, took in consideration the faults of th propeller, which some of the most experienced witnesses thought must be replaced by a new one with a better pitch. I have no doubt that I ought to have taken the assessment of the jury on every item of damage, but we had no particulars and it did not occur to me to do so. The jury returned a general verdict, assessing the damages in a lump sum. How we are to apportion them now I do not know. cannot tell how much they allowed for demurrage, as they term it, and how much for shortcomings in structure. I am sorry to say that the paper on which their verdict was returned has been mislaid. I speak from recollection principally. Under these circumstances, are the damages awarded so excessive that the interference of the Court is called for, and ought a new trial to be granted or the damages reduced I cannot say that I am dissatisfied with the amount of damages given, although perhaps had the trial been before me without a jury I might have given somewhat less. But have much greater confidence in the experience and knowledge of the jury in these matters than in my own powers of forming a sound opinion upon them, and I think that their verdict, arrived at upon a careful calculation apparently of the various elements from which the claims for damages arose, should not be disturbed except as regards the item for \$664 for insurance, which, although the item was not proved at the trial, cannot fairly be cast on the builder. If this item is conceded the verdict must stand.

The Chief-Justice-I wish in this case in Russell on Crimes, p. 879; a more suitable emphatically to express my opinion, con- answer to the enquiry of the Jury could carring with Mr Justice Snowden, that the not, as it seems to me, have been given.

Mr Hayllar said that of course they would

rather concede that point than have a new

little lioning has made them come out. four and a half months, the time stipulated The learned judge says that he is not as to guilt or innocence, unless the Court lay with him.

Each party applied for costs.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS. (Before the FULL COURT.) 29th Jan., 1878.

THE "YESSO" EXPLOSION CASE.

Regina v. Barnard & King. The Chief Justice said that in this case there were two indictments for the manslaughter of Tsang Asam and Mahomed Esoup. Both prisoners were found guilty on both counts, but leave was reserved on some legal point which he would refer. After due consideration of the circumstances, Mr Hayllar, on behalf of the 1st prisoner, though it waste of the time of the Court to raise any argument on the point, and in doing this he certainly foreshadowed our conclusion. But the case of the prisoner presented some difficulty and was different from that of the 1st prisoner, and Mr Francis properly urged all the points he could for the consideration of the Court He argued the case very fully and had cited all cases that bore on the point. Having said this much, his Lordship proceeded to give judgment on the point of law reserved :-

We entirely concur in the decision I am

about to express on the points raised in this case. We have fully considered the authorities, but do not think it necessary to discuss them now. Our decision has been come to without any doubt. 1. As to the form of the information, whatever might possibly have been said soon after the form was given by Ordinance, this Court is now too far bound by the oursus curia by repeated practice and precedent to vary from what has been established. There can be no doubt that the object of the legislation, -a wise legislation-was to get rid of absurd technicalities in criminal pleading as it had been and to substitute for them the simplest possible form. This was no hardship to the defendant since he is empowered by the same Ordinance which shortens the form to obtain the fullest particulars which the Judge may think him entitled to, probably far more minute particulars than had been necessary in the old form of indistment in England. I am quite sure that in this case Mr Francis and his client in fact knew precisely what charge he had to meet, though it was quite open to him in form object that he did not know. If he did not know, the law provided him with means of the fullest knowledge whenever he chose to ask for it. 2. As to the second point we have no doubt that in a passenger ship the engineers, each according to his duties, had a 2nd engineer, and if he had only made the of the Melbourne Exhibition were so well legal duty to both passengers and crew, the neglect of which rendered him oriminally liable, and that his not reporting the defects he admitted he knew were in the boiler to the Chief Engineer was, as to King, up to the moment of the explosion, a culpable neglect of duty and a misdemeanour. As to the third objection it is true that the error in judgment of the 2nd engineer in creating an excess of pressure was one of the apparent causes of the deaths but it was also a present cause of death that the Srd engineer, Mr Francis' client, being up to the moment of the explosion under a legal obligation to report to the Chief Engineer, did not so report, he was criminally liable. he even on entering the harbour had so informed the Chief Engineer, It must be presumed that due caution would have been used and there would have been no explosion. 4. Mr Francis objected lastly that in his charge to the Jury the learned Judge did not so sufficiently distinguish between negligence possibly morally blameable but not criminal and criminal negligence. I am clearly of opinion that this distinction was as fully taken as was proper in the Judge's charge to the Jury. It may be that the learned Counsel influenced by his zeal for his client might have thought more emphatio expressions preferable. I can only say that if addressing the Jury with all the facts which are before me now as the counts for stealing and receiving a quantity Judge did, I should not have drawn the of black and red peas and beans, the prodistinction in language more explicit than perty of Captain Peter Wm. Vorrath, masthose which were used. That the Jury ter of the Siamese barque Thoom Kramom,

Having thus disposed of all the some degree as interesting foreigners, and months were taken up by default of the that the jury were most competent to give point being raised, which most properly in turned a unanimous verdict of not guilty, they seem to imagine that this is all due to defendants who claimed the penalty. In a proper verdict, and, although he might this case was not raised, that it was against and in discharging the prisoners his Lordtheir importance rather than to the fact Russell v. Da Sa Handelra, 32 L.J., C. P. not have assessed the damages at quite so evidence, and in that way ship gave them a caution as to their future they are looked upon somewhat in the light 810, a large share of the delay was called large an amount, he thinks it probable that only, was it possible to suggest a doubt as soundingt, of curiosities -as bearing the some relation by the interference of the defendants on the jury would be more competent to bome to the entire accuracy of the decision of the

fully understood and accepted the distinc-

tion is clear from their return after they

had retired and by their showing that this

the prisoners guilty they must find culpable

negligence. His Lordship answer was em-

phatically "Yes." He then gave the best

possible direction by quoting to them the

words of Lord Chief Justice Denman in

Regina v. Spence, 1 Cor C. C. 852, as given

place on any ship whilst he was acting as such engineer thereon. And that he was The Chief-Justice said each party must solely depending upon his earnings as such the Yesso would be imperilled and that his family would be left destitute of support. which it had been his duty to point out to

the Court. Mr Francis then spoke on behalf of the 2nd prisoner, and called their Lordships' attention to the strong recommendation of the jury on the ground of the very dange- the Woosung line, was attempted on Friday rous state of the boiler, and although the evening, but the watchmen employed by Jury had found him guilty of neglect, still the Great Northern Company fortunately it was a kind of neglect which was so heard the jarring of the wire and ran to closely connected with error of judgment | the spot in time to prevent the robbers that it was difficult to draw the line of carrying off their booty. Otherwise they distinction, and the learned counsel was had a considerable quantity of it coiled up sure that in passing sentence on the defend- ready for removal. ant they would take all those points into consideration. The defendant did not file an affidavit, but he had a family dependent on him for support, and he threw himself to the mercy of the Court, and the learned counsel felt sure that the same spirit of fairness which was displayed by the learned Judge in his summing up of the case, would be shown now in the passing of sentence on the defendant.

either of the prisoners had anything to say pardoned. We call the attention of those

for himself. The 1st prisoner said that he had been I but might otherwise hesitate to risk them egretful of the occurrence ever since, and to the fact that the whole will be fully that for the last two months, he had not insured against fire. had sleep for more than three hours a night ever since the committal of the case for trial. The 2nd prisoner said this was the first. time he had come before any Court, and he had been only on this Coast for four months. He had a family and an aged mother to support; and during the two months this trial had been going on he had not been able to send any money home for their support. He hoped the Court would

give consideration to his case. In passing sentence on the prisoners, Mr Justice Snowden said that they had that the despatch sent by some of his combeen found guilty of manslaughter in causing the death of two men by neglect of thier duty, and the neglect was of such pature that it amounted to culpable neglect, for which they were liable, and the verdict of the Jury was a perfectly just one. As to the 1st prisoner he undertook | The Chinese Consulate, No. 164, will be to do a certain duty, and his Lordship quite | opened for the transaction of public business agreed with the statement of one of the on the 23rd inst. The members of the witnesses that there was no division of Chinese Guild intend meeting this evening responsibility. The prisoner was bound to for the purpose of devising means for show his best skill and care to detect any celebrating the occasion. defect caused even by chemical or mechanical action. But he did not try to find out for himself but waited for a report from the 2nd and 3rd engineers, with whom he was not on speaking terms. As duty in not reporting the state of the boller Court came to was that, although their Both vessels are screw propellers. was not one calling for heavy punishment, still it could not be passed over. The lat prisoner's case was somewhat different to the 2nd, as he was paid a larger salary for higher skill, and some distinction would have to be made. But as his Lordship had said before, it was not necessary to pass a heavy sentence, but he hoped this would be a warning to others. and that any persons guilty of similar neelect in future would not get off so easily. The prisoners were then sent to four

months' and three months' imprisonment respectively, without hard labour, to commence from the 10th inst., the date of the first sitting of the Special Sessions.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir John SMALE.) Jan. 29, 1878.

Regina v. Julius Meyer and Yeung Afat. The prisoners were indicted on several

on the 20th January 1878. The following Jury was empanelled:-Messre D. MacFie, D. B. Grant, E. F. precise distinction was pressing anxiously Alford, H. C. Bailie, Wm. Wheeler, Fritz on their mind when they asked if to find Rapp and D. MacAllister. Mr Hayllar, Q.C., instructed by the

Crown Solicitor, Mr Sharp, officiated for the Attorney General. Mr J. J. Francis, instructed by Mr Brere-

ton, defended the prisoners. From Mr Hayllar's opening address, it appeared that the lat prisoner was the Chief Officer of the Biamese barque Theom Kra- Discount, ... ... mom, and the 2nd prisoner was the stevedore employed in discharging the cargo. The 1st was charged with stealing and the

The Esseldns Were then adjourned till to marrow at 10 aims

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

"WHY IS THIS THUSLY "

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL." Hongkong, Jan. 29, 1878. SIR.—What is the hour fixed by the Police for night soil coolies to have finished their work? 6 a.m. I believe. If I am correct, how is it that "The Powers that be" allow the buckets to be in the Upper and Lower roads as late as 6,30 to 7 a.m. poisoning early risers on their way to the Happy Valley.

I would also draw the attention of the Police to the unlawful discharge of crackers, now occurring in the roads, causing great danger to equestrians and those driving.

I am, Sir, Yours, AN EARLY RISER

### Ohina.

SHANGHAI.

Another robbery of telegraph wire, from

The sub-Committee of the Asiatic Society have arranged that the contemplated Conversazione shall take place on Monday next. The arrangements have necessarily been rather hurried, as some of the exhibits promised will afterwards go forward to the French Exhibition and several among the Chinese gentlemen who contribute are anxious to withdraw theirs before the New Year. Any imperfection which may result from this Mr Justice Snowden wished to know if haste will, we are sure, be readily who may have articles worth exhibiting.

# Japan.

(Gazette.) The French corvette La Clocheterie, which left this morning (Jan. 17th), goes to Nagasaki to meet the Cosmao, expected to arrive here at the end of the month. From Japan the former vessel will go to Hongkong

en route for Europe. One of our French subscribers informs us patriots, felicitating Mr Gambetta on the result of the French elections, was never acknowledged to the senders direct; nor even was its receipt mentioned in the Regublique Francais. What gross in-

gratitude

### (Japan Times.)

The Tsukuba-Kan, Japanese-man-of-war. formerly H.M.S. Malacca, left on Thursday to the 2nd prisoner, he had neglected his for Australia, with Japanese officers and crew. She will make a great sensation in to the 1st prisoner; he satisfied bimself the Colomies, where the commissions who with only having a conversation with the lately visited Australia on the occasion matter known to the Captain half an hour received. At the same time left the Seikibefore the ship arrived, he might have Kan, another native man-of-war, on a averted the accident. The Jury had re- similar errand to Europe. The Tsukuba-Kan commended both prisoners to mercy, and is a 3rd rate, of 1,033 tons, and carries 12 this recommendation, together with their guns. Her commander is named Matsumura. own statements, and the remarks made The Seiki-Kan is a smaller vessel; of the on their behalf by their counsel, had 4th rate, 850 tons, and carrying 5 guns only. been considered, and the conclusion the She is commanded by Capt. T. Incure.

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Intimations.

ESTATE OF DODD & Co.

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1. That the affairs of the said . Donn & Co. shall be Liquidated by arrangement, and not in Bankruptcy. 2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he is hereby appointed Trustee. 3. That H. ABENDROTH and EDMUND PyE be, and they are hereby appointed a

All PAYMENTS on account of the Estate, it is requested, will be Paid to the order of the Undersigned.

Committee of Inspection.

F. CHOMLEY, Trustee for the Estate of Donn & Co. Amoy, January 14, 1878.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked ... in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Whart. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.

3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office. 8. From Pier to East Point. Flag and Destination, Romarks. Vessel's Name, Tons. Consignees or Agents. Steamers London, &c. To-day Achilles ...... 4 o Anderson ..... Halphong Salgon Albay ...... 5 h F. Ashton ..... Brit. 27 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Altona......Ger. 28 Wm. Pustau & Co. K'loon Dock 8 Siemssen & Co. Shaughal 28 Slemssen & Co. 21 Butterfield & Swire 2 Kwok Acheong Carisbrooke ........... 2 h Wharton ....... Brit. Repairing 19 Man Hing Chan \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Halphong Bangkok Conquest ...... 4 h Hamlin Brit. 26 Kwong Lee Yuen Danube ...... 2 h Clanchy ...... Brit. 28 Yuen Fat Hong Shanghai To-morrow Golden Horn ....... 5 c Alton Brit. Holyrood ....... 3 c Peters ....... Brit, Indus ....... 2 b Shallard ...... Brit, Halphong Shanghai To-day 27 P. & O. S. N. Co. Maharajah ......Brit. To-day str. Manila . 18 Remedios & Co. To-day Mirzapore .......... 5 c Parish ....... Brit. Europe, &c. Mails, 31st str. Y'hama & S. F'claco Mails, 1st px. str. Novelty W'ke Panay ..... Goyenechea ... Span Parsee ...... 5 c Sergent ..... Brit. 25 Melchers & Co. str. 26 Wm. Pustau & Co. Jan, Sea Gull ...... 5 b Roberts ...... Brit. 19 Insurance Company Shanghai Yokohama K'loon Dock Sin Nanzing ...... Drage ......... Brit. 21 Jardine, Matheson & Co. Sunda ...... 5 c Reeves ..... Brit. 29 P. & O. S. N. Co. Holhow & Halphong at daylight 26 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Taiwan ...... Brit, str. 28 Melchers & Co. Tintern Abbey...... 4 c Tindale ...... Brit str. Halphong 26 Landstein & Co. Washi ...... 5 h Hunter ..... Brit. Shanghai 27 Messageries Maritimes Yangtsé ...... 5 c Rapatel ..... Fch. To-day str. 31st, daylight Coast Ports Yesso..... 5 h S. Ashton ..... Brit. 22 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Haiphong Yottung..... Brit. 20 Kwok Acheong Ab'deen Dock Zanzibar ..... For ..... Brit. 18 Melchers & Co. str. Salling Vessels Abernyte ...... 8 c Congours ..... Brit. 16 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Ada Wiswell .......... 2 k Wiswell ...... Am. 3m. sc. Salgon and Callao 28 Carlowitz & Co. 7 Wm. Pustau & Co. Adelina & Marianne...2 c Dahl ..... Ger. bge. Alden Besse ...... 4 h Noyes ..... Amer. bge. 27 Rozario & Co. Alice M. Minott ..... 2 k Whitnore ..... Amer. sh 28 Battles & Co. Jan, Alphington..........3 c Cunningham ... Brit. boe. 6 Wieler & Co. For Sale \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* McD.'s Slip Amie Florence ...... Johnson ...... Brit. New York 8 Borneo Co., Limited Melbourne & Sydney 14 Carlowitz & Co. 7 Eduard Schellhass & Co. Cos tan Dock des tressbergangience 8 Ohinese Annie Lorway ...... 4 c Gales ...... Brit. 4 Russell & Co. Annie M. Smuil ..... 2 c Packer ...... Amer. sh. 16 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Hamburg Antipodes ...... 2 c Wyeth ..... Brit. bqe. 4 Eduard Schellham & Co. Dunkirk Assens ...... 4 k Wandel ...... Dan. B. F. Watson ...... 3 k Hawkins ..... Amer, bue. 25 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. New York Nov. 25 Melchers & Co. Beethoven ...... 4 k Haje ........... Ger. bge. 28 Eduard Schellhass & Co. Bonita......Ger. 3m. sc. Brisbane ...... 4 c Hudleston ..... Brit. bge. 17 Russell & Co. Wanchai Pier Broomhall ......Brit. 26 Meyer & Co. London 5 Siemssen & Co. 28 P. & O. S. N. Co. Charger ...... 2 c Hallet ..... Amer. Charlotte Andrews ... 8 c Place ...... Brit. bge. 30 Rozario & Co. Touron Charter Oak .......... 3 c Staples ...... Amer. 24 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Honolulu Wanchal Plex 24 Meyer & Co. City of Halifax ..... Evans ..... Brit. ........................ Corean..... 8 h Vincent ..... Amer. sch. 25 Insurance Co. 7 Eduard Schellhass & Co. Dauphin ..... 3 c Lehonnais ..... Fch. 6 Eduard Schellhass & Co. E, von Beaulieu ..... 8 o Schneider ..... Ger. bge. 3 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Wanchai Plor Echo ..... Brit. bge. 22 P. & O. S. N. Co. Edward P. Bouverie ... Evans ..... Brit. bge. P. & O. Wharf \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* 28 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Falcon...... 8 k Barry ..... Brit. 12 Carlowitz & Co. Fanny..... To Degomeon ..... Fch. 240 Jan. 13 Carlowitz & Co. Cos'tan Dock 282 Jan. 28 Melohers & Co. Formosa......Ger. 3m. sc. Freeman Clark ...... 8 c Dwight ..... Amer. sh. 1336 Nov. 80 Wieler & Co. 449 Dec. 20 Tak Mee Fortune ...... 2 h Petterson ..... Slam. bge. G. H. Wuppuus ..... 4 k Diedrichsen ... Ger. Jan. 16 Carlowitz & Co. Gatherer ...... 2 k Thomson ..... Amer. sh. 23 0. & O. S. S. Co. Jan. 8 Wm. Pustan & Co. Glamorganshire...... 4 c McEachern ... Brit. 2 H. Kiser & Co. Dec. 22 Meyer & Co. Golden Spur ...... 4 c Farrell ..... Brit. 19 Russell & Co. 15 Meyer & Co. Herbert Black ...... 8 c Treat ...... Amer, bqe. Portland (Oregon) 6 Wm. Pustau & Co. Hermann Ger. 22 Melchers & Co. lonian ...... 8 c Cave ......... Brit. 20 Landstein & Co. Jalo...... 7 c Moberg ...... Russ. sh. Jessie Jamieson......8 c West ........... Brit. bqe. 31 Douglas Lapraik & Co. 24 Douglas Lapraik & Co. 874 Jan. John Potts......8 c McPherson ... Brit. bge. Julia A. Brown..... 4 c Nickerson ..... Am. 3m. sc. 18 Butterfield & Swire 542 Dec. Cleared 690 Jan. 12 Order 3 Rozario & Co. Kate Waters ...... 4 k Glese ...... Brit. bge. 24 Eduard Schellhazz & Co. Kronprindsessen ..... 2 k Hansen ...... Dan. bqs. Jiearcd 21 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Portland (Oregon) Lady Bowen ...... 3 c Fox ...... Brit. bqe. 28 Wieler & Co. Marie ...... 7 c Hundewadt ... Ger, bqe. Jan. 23 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. 266 Dec. New York May Brit. 3m.sc. 14 Olyphant & Co. 237 Jan. 3 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. May Queen ...... 4 c Prior ..... Brit. bge. 472 Dec. Mignon 2 c Soule ...... Am. 3m. sc. Morning Star ..... 2 h Michaelsen ... Siam. bqe. 484 Dec. 5 Tack Mee 570 Jan. 920 Dec. 29 Melchers & Co. K'loon Dook Manila 24 Adamson, Bell & Co. 6 Chinese Norseman ...... 1 h Tarek ......... Siam. Northern Star Wortley Brit. bqe.
Papa Ger. bqe.
Perl. Ger. bg. 6 Wieler & Co. Kloon Dock 15 Siemssen & Co. 17 Eduard Schellhass & Co. Dec. 5 Wieler & Co. Phæton ...... 4 c Scheel ..... Brit. 4 Captain Quickstep ........ 3 c Barnaby ...... Amer. bqe. 5 Tek-mes Hop-kee Rapid ...... Slam. bqe. Ross Boettcher ...... 3 c Schultz ....... Ger. bge. 27 Wm. Pustau & Co. 17 Meyer & Co. Rubicon ...... 4 k Timmsen ..... Brit. 3m.sc. Jan 286 Nov. 26 Carlowitz & Co. 4 Carlowitz & Co. St. Ideue ...... 7 c Durand ...... Fch. bge. 4 Carlewitz & Co. Sully Bara ..... Fch. 5 Russell & Co. Sumatra ...... 3 k Clough ...... Amer. sh. 11 Melchers & Co. Tartar ..... Ger. Ab'deen Dook 24 Captain Jan, Taunton ..... Brit. 29 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. 165 Jan. Thorkild .......... 4 c Raade ............................... Ger. 60 Dec. 26 Wieler & Co. 219 Jan. Uggiah..... Brit. 8m.sc. 5 Wm. Pustau & Co. Vega ..... Nordtvedt ..... Norw, bge. 585 Jau. Costan Dock Manila 500 Jan. 12 Wm. Pustau & Co. Velocity ..... Brit. bqe. Sanda' Slip 802 Dec. 919 Jan. Baumann ..... Brit. sh. 1099 Jan. c Herriman ..... Amer WHAMPOA 13 Landstein & Co. Tientain Quatresotte ..... Foh. Charles Moureau Christine Jan. 26 Wieler & Co. Jan. 18 Captain Heyer ......... Ger. 8m.no. Friedrich ............ Millar ..... Amer. sh. CANTON

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Jan.

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28 Butterfield & Swire

28 Siemssen & Co.

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	Vessel's Name.	Anchor-	Flag.	Olass.	Tons.	Guns.	Н. Р.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
200	Atalanta	6 0	French	iron-tilad	8389	12	450	Jan. 3	Calllet
	Audaclous	6 0	British	iron-olad (flag-ship)	6034 774	14	800 160	Dec. 10 Dec. 11	F. Durrant E. J. Church
	Curlew	4	British British	gun vessel	464	4	120	Dec. 19	C. E. D. Willook
	Lapwing	7 0	British	gun vessel	774	8	160	Dec. 9	W. G. Scott
	Le hingon anterestigat	U C	French	man-of-war	1246 2591		*****	Jan. 5	M. Galache
đ	Meeanee	6 h	British British	military hospital auryoying vessel	877	4	150	Dec. 6	R. H. Napier
	Sun-kee	6 0	Chinese	gunboat	180	5	60	Jan. 29	J. H. Wads
a l	Tamar sacconstitution to	7 0	British	troopship	2037	614	egett	Jan. 28 Jan. 21	C. J. Browning J. Young
D\$	Victor Emanuel	8 0	American British	Flag-ship Commodore's flag-ship	- AAAH	14	******	14154	Commodore Watson

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